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COUNTRY Soviet Zone of Germany REPORT NO. [redacted]

TOPIC Schwerin-Goerries Airfield

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EVALUATION [redacted]

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1. The Soviet soldiers who were formerly quartered in the barracks buildings at the Schwerin-Goerries (L 54/T 46) airfield had not returned prior to 23 July 1950. Only individual soldiers were seen in the barracks area. Twelve air force officers were seen in the barracks area for the first time on 25 July 1950.

2. On 4 August 1950 fifteen soldiers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets and carrying duffel bags and trunks, arrived at the field. They were quartered in a barracks building. The former personnel was not seen. (1)

3. About 60 German workers graded and rolled the landing field. (2) No changes were observed on the two hangars, each about 20x60 meters. Two biplanes were parked in one hangar. (3) No flying was seen.

4. Four metal masts, each about 6 meters high and arranged in a square, were observed in a slightly hilly section of the field about 400 meters from the barracks buildings. The masts were about 8 meters apart. In the center of the four masts stood what appeared to be a new cabin, 3½ to 4 meters square and about 2½ meters high. A glass structure with a sheet metal roof was apparently attached to the cabin. (4)

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[redacted] Comments.

(1) To date the field has been occupied only by an army unit. The arrival of air force soldiers is reported for the first time. The report does not indicate to which unit these soldiers are assigned.

(2) This is the first information that the landing field is being graded. No other construction work has been reported. There are no indications that the landing field is to be enlarged or that a concrete runway is to be constructed.

(3) The planes are probably assigned to the army unit previously stationed at the field as courier planes.

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(4) The radio station was observed at the same location by another source in November 1949. [redacted] No information has been received on the purpose of the station, which is possibly a DF station. It is not known to which unit it is assigned.

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